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Abstract of the Disclosure

1   A method and apparatus provide an advanced scheduling and messaging system in which

2   information about an appointment is received from a user. Information about an attendee

3   associated with the appointment, including attendee notification information, is also received.

4   When it is determined that the user will be late for the appointment, an attendee notification

5   message is automatically generated using the attendee notification information. Appointment

6   time information and appointment location information can also be received by the scheduling

7   system along with user location information. It can then be determined if the user will be late for

8   the appointment based on the user location information, the appointment location information,

9   the appointment time information and a time associated with the user location information.